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# S. 1703

To provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States  
to Stanislaus County, California.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 3, 1998

Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce,  
Science, and Transportation

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## A BILL

To provide for the conveyance of certain property from the  
United States to Stanislaus County, California.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.**

4       In this Act:

5               (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
6       trator” means the Administrator of the National  
7       Aeronautics and Space Administration.

8               (2) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term “Federal  
9       agency” has the meaning given the term “agency”  
10      in section 555(1) of title 5, United States Code.

1           (3) NASA.—The term “NASA” means the Na-  
2           tional Aeronautics and Space Administration.

3   **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY.**

4           As soon as practicable after the date of enactment  
5   of this Act, the Administrator shall convey to Stanislaus  
6   County, California, all right, title, and interest of the  
7   United States in and to the property described in section  
8   3.

9   **SEC. 3. PROPERTY DESCRIBED.**

10          The property to be conveyed pursuant to section 2  
11   is—

12           (1) the approximately 1,528 acres of land in  
13          Stanislaus County, California, known as the “NASA  
14          Ames Research Center, Crows Landing Facility (for-  
15          merly known as the Naval Auxiliary Landing Field,  
16          Crows Landing)”;

17           (2) all improvements on the land described in  
18          paragraph (1); and

19           (3) any other Federal property that is—

20                  (A) under the jurisdiction of NASA;

21                  (B) located on the land described in para-  
22          graph (1); and

23                  (C) designated by NASA to be transferred  
24          to Stanislaus County, California.

1 **SEC. 4. TERMS.**

2 (a) CONSIDERATION.—The conveyance required by  
3 section 2 shall be without consideration other than that  
4 required by this section.

5 (b) ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
7 provision of law, the conveyance required by section  
8 2 shall not relieve any Federal agency of any respon-  
9 sibility under applicable law for any environmental  
10 remediation of soil, groundwater, or surface water.

11 (2) OTHER REMEDIATION.—Any remediation of  
12 contamination, other than that described in para-  
13 graph (1), within or related to structures or fixtures  
14 on the property described in section 3 shall be sub-  
15 ject to negotiation to the extent permitted by law.

16 (c) RETAINED RIGHT OF USE; TERMS AND CONDI-  
17 TIONS OF TRANSFER.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
19 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
20 shall retain the right to use for aviation activities,  
21 without consideration and on other terms and condi-  
22 tions mutually acceptable to NASA and Stanislaus  
23 County, California, the property described in section  
24 3.

25 (2) LEGISLATIVE JURISDICTION.—The terms  
26 and conditions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3)

1        may not include any provision restricting the legisla-  
2        tive jurisdiction of the State of California over the  
3        property conveyed pursuant to section 2.

4            (3) ADDITIONAL TERMS.—Subject to paragraph  
5        (2), the Administrator may negotiate additional  
6        terms of the conveyance required by section 2 to  
7        protect the interests of the United States.

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